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SUBJ: UNICEF DIRECTORSHIP

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1. IN MAKING ANOTHER APPROACH TO SYG WALDHEIM ON CANDIDACY OF JAMES GRANT FOR UNICEF EXECUTIVE DIRECTORSHIP, WE SHOULD GIVE HIM A FULLER CIRRICULUM CITAE ON GRANT, WHICH CLEARLY DOCUMENTS HIS OUTSTANDING CREDENTIALS IN DEVELOPMENT FIELD, INTELLECTUAL ATTAINMENTS, MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL STANDING. WE UNDERSTAND DEPT IS PREPARING A PAPER ALONG THESE LINES WHICH CAN ALSO BE PASSED SELECTIVELY TO MEMBERS OF UNICEF GOVERNING BOARD PRIOR TO, AND AT MANILA MEETING.

2. SIMILARLY, A TALKING POINTS PAPER ON OUR INTEREST IN THIS POSITION IS NEEDED FOR USE WITH WALDHEIM AND WITH SELECTED MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. WE UNDERSTAND THIS IS ALREADY IN PREPARATION IN THE DEPT.

3. IN VIEW OF SWEDISH PLAN TO INCLUDE MICHANEK IN THEIR DELEGATION TO MANILA, WE BELIEVE DEPT SHOULD AGAIN  
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CONSIDER AVDISABILITY OF INCLUDING GRANT IN US DELEGATION. GRANT'S OWN JUDGMENT ON THIS QUESTION WOULD BE HELPFUL.

4. WE ALSO PLAN AT AN EARLY DATE TO CONSULT WITH LABOUISSSE ABOUT STRAGETY AND TACTICS FOR WINNING THE POST FOR GRANT, INCLUDING THE ADVISABILITY OF GRANT'S PARTICIPATION ON THE DELEGATION.

5. COMMENT: THE SWEDISH THREAT IS A FORMIDABLE ONE  
AND WE SEE NO ALTERNATIVE TO WAGING A STRONG CAMPAING  
ON BEHALF OF GRANT. WE MUST SUPPLEMENT THE US POLITICAL  
ARGUMENT WITH THE BEST POSSIBLE CASE WE CAN MAKE IN TERMS  
OF GRANT'S OWN SUPERIOR QUALIFICATIONS.  
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